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Inspection Report Minerals Regulatory Program April 21, 2010

Reviewed: PRB

Mine Name: White Cloud	Permit Number: S/015/0044
Operator Name: Sutherland Brothers, Inc.	Inspection Date: 03/25/2010
Inspector(s): Brett Gregory for Wayne Western <i>WFW</i>	Time: 2:00 pm
Other Participants: None	Mine Status: Inactive

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Concurrent Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts, drill holes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Water Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Revegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Air Quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Bond Amount: \$0

Permit fee: due for 2009.

Purpose of Inspection:

The Division has a directive to reclaim the site after ten years of inactivity. My inspection was meant to confirm completion of the required reclamation.

Inspection Summary:

The site is partially reclaimed and stable. My comments are as follows:

- 1) The annual permit fee received in 2009 has been applied to delinquent fees for 2008. Additional payment is still required for the 2009 fee in the amount of \$150 dollars.
- 7) The operator has completed the necessary contour and grading of the site. No grading problems were found that are not in compliance to post mining land use rules.
- 8) Several natural occurring water depressions were discovered on regraded surfaces. Most of these collection areas appear shallow, non-toxic, and are not posing to be a safety problem.
- 10) None of the regraded surfaces appear to have been reseeded. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) claims the soil is gypsiferous and will be difficult to revegetate. It is the agency's plan to aid the operator in the revegetation effort by reseeding the site this coming fall.
- 12) A GPS map was made and can be found enclosed in this report.

(Photographs attached)



Conclusions and Recommendations:

The site has been adequately regraded for post mining land use. The BLM will make an attempt to reseed the site this coming fall. The operator should participate in all revegetation efforts for at least the first three growing seasons, according to rule R647-3-109.13.11. Past due permit fees need to be paid in the amount of \$150 dollars. It is my recommendation, after delinquent fees are paid, to officially terminate the mining operation and release the site.

Inspector's Signature

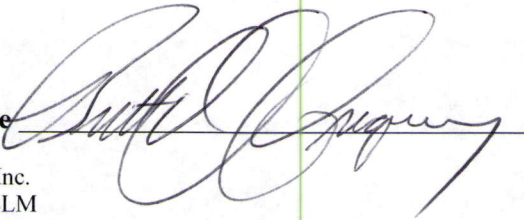
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cc: Sutherland Brothers, Inc.

Chris Conrad, Price BLM

Enclosure: GPS map

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sutherland Brothers, Inc.", written over a horizontal line.



Natural water collection area.



Natural water collection area.



No vegetative ground cover established. (See regulation R647-3-109.13.11)



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Water depressions found on regraded surfaces.



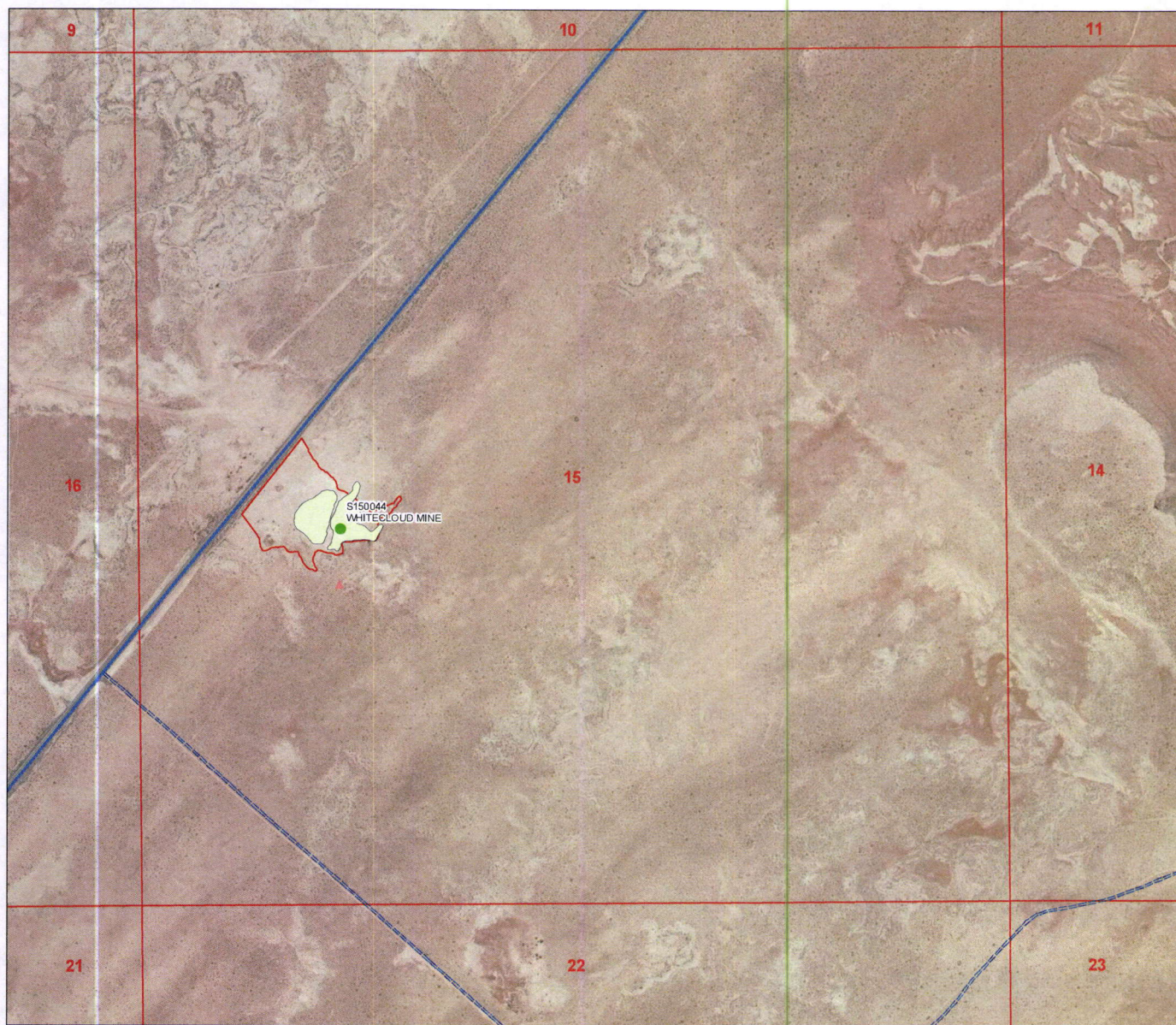
Regraded disturbance.



Fresh tracks showing regrading efforts.



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Mine Number: S0150044
Mine Name: Whitecloud Mine
Township 24 S Range 13 E Section 13 SLBM

Inspection Date Sept. 12, 2005
 Map Produced by DKS

Acres Disturbed	7.99
Acres Regraded	0
Acres Seeded	0
Road Acres Disturbed	0

Total Acres Disturbed 7.99

Acres Released	0
Acres Excluded	0
Acres PreExisting	0
Acres Prelaw	0

Legend
 All items symbolized in legend may not be appear on map

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|-----------------|---|
| County Boundary | Township or range Line |
| Access | Township or range line: location doubtful |
| Mine | Section line |
| NonMine | Section line: location doubtful |
| Other | Disturbed |
| Interstate | Regraded |
| US Route | Seeded |
| State Route | Released |
| Primary Route | Excluded |
| Secondary Route | PreExisting |
| Main Dirt Road | Prelaw |
| Unimproved Road | Bond Area |
| Interchange | SITLA Mineral Leases |
| Trail | BLM Leases |
| | Community Pit |

DOQ imagery date 1997



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 Feet
 1:7,500 1 inch = 625 feet
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